

# **School Surveillance and Medication Program (SSMP)**



Could your school benefit from stock emergency albuterol and supplies to administer to students experiencing respiratory distress? If so, visit our website: https://ssmp.maricopa.gov



After completing and submitting each of the requirements prompted in the SSMP web application, your school can obtain annual standing orders and a prescription from MCDPH 's Medical Director.



This school year 20/21, thanks to **Banner Foundation and AZ Asthma Coalition** MCDPH can provide each school with free:

- Stock albuterol inhaler
- Thayer Medical LiteAire ® holding chambers
- Emergency protocol flipchart













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### Q. How can my school participate in the Maricopa County stock albuterol program?

A. Your school will need to enroll in the MCDPH School Surveillance and Medication Program (SSMP) web application. After completing and submitting each of the requirements your school can obtain and receive annual standing orders and a prescription from the MCDPH Medical Director. Enroll your school at https://ssmp.maricopa.gov/

# Q. What is the School Surveillance and Medication Program?

A. It is a MCDPH web application that will guide you through the necessary requirements to obtain standing orders for stock albuterol inhaler.

# Q. My school is interested in enrolling but cost is an issue. Is there funding available for my school?

- A. Thanks to the AZ Asthma Coalition and Banner Foundation, this school year 2020-2021, MCDPH will provide each school with a **free** stock albuterol inhaler and LIteAire® holding chambers. For future sustainability, we encourage you to apply for grants, contact the pharmaceutical companies, providers and coalitions, local pharmacies, your school's
  - Q: Who provides the training of designated school personnel to administer stock albuterol?

A: The training is provided online by the Western Region Public Health Training Center at the University of Arizona, College of Public Health who will provide a certificate upon completion.

https://wrphtc.arizona.edu/training/stock-albuterol-inhaler-training-school-personnel

# Q: Where will I get a standing order for the stock albuterol?

A: After enrolling in the SSMP and following all requirements, schools can obtain a standing order and a prescription from the MCDPH Medical Director.

### Q: Who can use the stock albuterol inhaler?

A: Any individual who presents with respiratory distress may be administered the stock albuterol inhaler by a trained school staff member.

# Q: What if a individual without a physician diagnosis of asthma uses the stock inhaler, is the school/nurse held liable?

A: If an individual presents with respiratory distress, the school's designated personnel who have completed the required training should administer the stock albuterol. SB 2208 indemnifies the school/staff from any liability associated with good faith use of the stock albuterol.

